



City of Wichita DISTRICT V NEWS

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Councilmember Longwell is committed to keeping District V and City residents updated



In the recent months Councilmember Longwell has made a commitment to attend various social, service and business groups to talk about District V, his first 18 months in office and the future of Wichita. CM Longwell enjoys interacting with residents from not only his District out west, but residents from all areas in Wichita as well. He speaks on subjects, both straight-forward and controversial, that Wichita citizens are interested in.

Topics have included: The City Manager Search, The Property Tax vs. City Sales Tax issue, the new Sedgwick County Arena and the redevelopment of the City's Core area, the Smoking Ordinance, the Budget process- Back to the Basics, and several new initiatives in District V and the City such as: the Mayors Youth Council, a new Library and Police sub station in West Wichita, the bridge over the Big Ditch, changes in the Transit department and Economic Development.

Some of the groups Councilmember Longwell has spoken to are The West Wichita Optimist Club, Plaza West Retirement Community, The Wichita Kiwanis Club, and the West Wichita Rotary group. Other regularly scheduled public meetings you can hear or speak with the Councilmember are his Monthly District Advisory Board Meetings, or his quarterly Saturday morning breakfast meetings. If you are interested in having the Councilmember speak at your group please contact Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Assistant, at 268-4351 or at mbuckmaster@wichita.gov.



Your District V Representatives are:

CM Jeff Longwell

DAB Members:

Mike Hill
Mike Bell
Dana Brown
Jay Buckmaster
Joey Ellzey
Jay Flinn
Bryan Frye
Darrell Leffew
Pat Ream
Kelly Watkins
Wendi White- **NEW!**
Logan Fritz—Youth

District Advisory Board Meeting

Auburn Hills Golf Course
443 W 135th St West
6:30 p.m.

Meets the 1st Monday of
every month.

For updates visit
www.wichita.gov

The smoking ordinance goes into effect September 4th, 2008:

It's here. It's the law. It's effective.

Visit www.wichita.gov for more information



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NO ONE UNDER 18 ADMITTED



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Please join Councilmember Jeff Longwell and his guest, John D'Angelo, Arts and Cultural Services Manager, for doughnuts and coffee at **9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 6th** at the **Plaza West Retirement Community** at 505 N. Maize Rd.- just south of Central and Maize.





City of Wichita, District V Project UPDATE! Cadillac Lake - Phase I of the Cadillac Lake project was bid August 5, 2008 and includes project grading and wetland enhancements necessary to allow development within the drainage basin. The project includes the construction of a City owned dry detention basin east of Maize Road and the enlargement of an existing wet detention basin west of Maize Road and north of Target. The contractor will have 90 working days to complete the first phase. The plans for the second phase will include the construction of two storm water pump stations that will be used to regain detention storage capacity following a rain event. The project's vegetation restoration will be completed in the Spring of 2009. **Cowskin Creek:** this project is currently under construction and should be substantially completed by February 2009 with permanent vegetation restoration to be done in the Spring of 2009. **Central and Tyler:** The project will provide dual left turn lanes in all directions and drainage improvements. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction, on both Central & Tyler, for the duration of the project. The project is expected to be completed by April 2009 with landscaping to follow. Site restoration and tree planting is expected to begin in early May. **I-235 and Central:** The project is finished early due to the City's push for early completion incentives and hard work from all partners involved! Take a drive to see the great improvements!

FYI: The Transit Department has formed a Transit Advisory Group made up of transit staff, city staff, Council members, local business leaders and riders. This group's function is to review current practices, determine future goals and advise the department on Transit issues in Wichita. For more information go to www.wichita.gov/CityOffices/Transit/TDP.htm

District V Advisory Board Members serve significant roles on several District and City-Wide Committees

Mike Hill named new District Advisory Board Member Pro- Tem- On July 07, 2008 Mike Hill began his responsibility as Pro-Tem for the District V Advisory Board. The Pro- Tem acts as the facilitator for the DAB meeting. Each council member can choose to either run their own DAB meeting or name a Pro- tem. Councilmember Longwell chooses to appoint a Board member.

David Dennis was the former Board Pro Tem. Mr. Dennis served on the District V Board for 8 years adding much knowledge of planning, city funding and the future of Wichita. Mr. Dennis still serves on the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission Board.

Bryan Frye is active on the Park Advisory Board- this seven-member advisory board makes recommendations to the City Council on issues related to parks: land acquisition and disposition of existing park properties and facilities; recreation programming; fees; the Park and Recreation department's budget and Capital Improvement Program Budget; future park development; and other issues related to parks and recreation. For more information got to <http://www.wichita.gov/Government/MinutesAndAgendas/ParkBoard/>

Jay Buckmaster appointed to the Mayor's Youth Council: The Mayors Youth Council Mission is to provide Wichita youth with the opportunity to weigh in on community issues and learn about city government. This Council is a diverse group of 43 Wichita High school students. The Advisory Council is made up of twelve adult volunteers, including City Council appointees and business and community representatives, who provide advice and direction to the council on important community issues. For more information go to <http://www.wichita.gov/Government/CityCouncil/Mayor/YouthCouncil/>.

District Advisory Board Annual Skybox Appreciation Party- On Tuesday, August 12 Councilmember Jeff Longwell treated his District Advisory Board to a fun night in the City Skybox at Lawrence Dumont Stadium for the NBC World Series Tournament. DAB members and guests enjoyed watching two games: the Hays Kansas Larks defeat the Virginia Vienna Senators 6-4 and the Santa Barbara For-esters defeat the Seattle Studs 11-5 to become the only undefeated team left in the series. A good time was had by all and it was a great evening to appreciate the volunteer hours that the DAB V members contribute to District V.

DAB Member Kelly Watkins and husband, Jason



DAB Member Joey Ellzey and



Interim City Manager Scott Moore and Councilmember Jeff Longwell



DAB Members Jay Flinn and Jay Buckmaster

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District V Distribution List

If you or anyone you know is interested in being added to our distribution list please call or send an e-mail to Megan Buckmaster

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Your Connection : Megan Buckmaster is your Neighborhood Assistant. As your Neighborhood Assistant I am tasked with building, maintaining, and preserving stable, healthy and livable neighborhoods in the City of Wichita in partnership with community stakeholders. I am also here to keep the community informed, help identify resources, and communicate the needs of the community to Council Member Longwell and City staff. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Ask Jeff?

“Here to serve the community!”

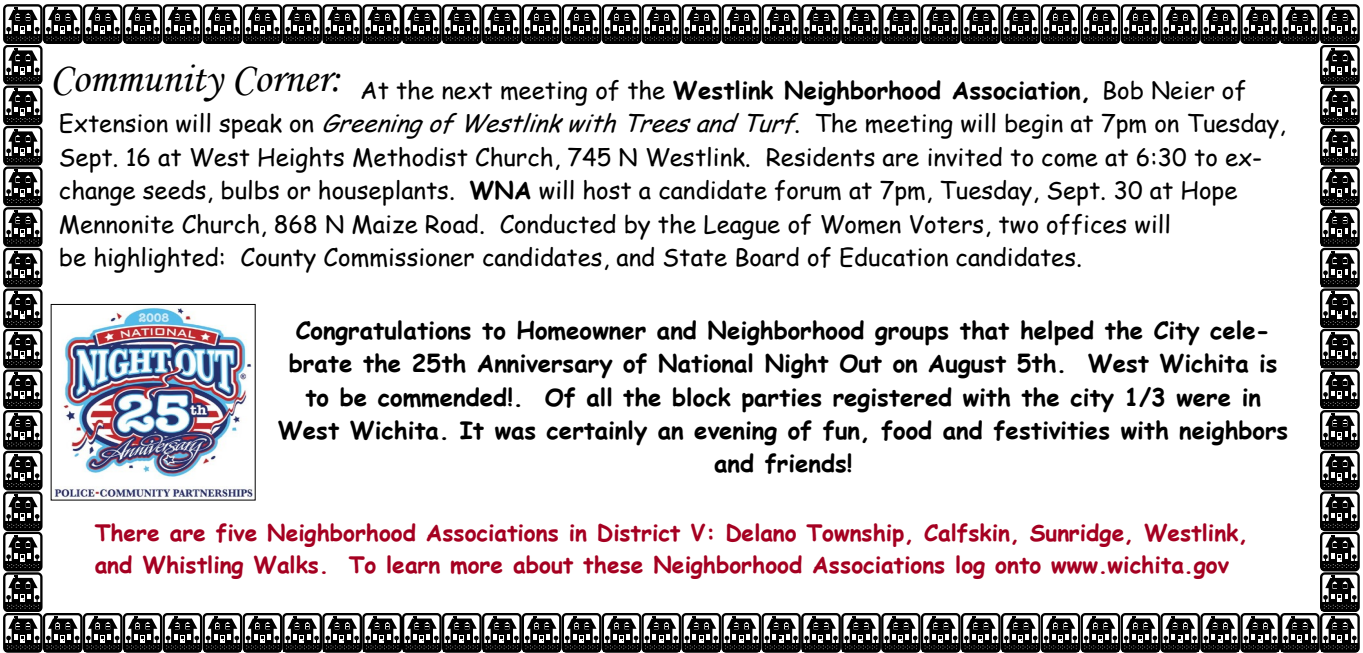
Do you have questions for me? Would you like me to attend your Neighborhood or Homeowners Association meeting?

Give me a call at 268-4331 or send an e-mail to:
jlongwell@wichita.gov

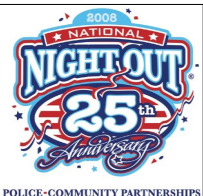
I look forward to hearing from each of you in the near future and welcome you to join us at our monthly District Advisory Board meeting or breakfast.

Hope to see you soon!





Community Corner: At the next meeting of the **Westlink Neighborhood Association**, Bob Neier of Extension will speak on *Greening of Westlink with Trees and Turf*. The meeting will begin at 7pm on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at West Heights Methodist Church, 745 N Westlink. Residents are invited to come at 6:30 to exchange seeds, bulbs or houseplants. **WNA** will host a candidate forum at 7pm, Tuesday, Sept. 30 at Hope Mennonite Church, 868 N Maize Road. Conducted by the League of Women Voters, two offices will be highlighted: County Commissioner candidates, and State Board of Education candidates.



2008 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 25th Anniversary
POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Congratulations to Homeowner and Neighborhood groups that helped the City celebrate the 25th Anniversary of National Night Out on August 5th. West Wichita is to be commended!. Of all the block parties registered with the city 1/3 were in West Wichita. It was certainly an evening of fun, food and festivities with neighbors and friends!

There are five Neighborhood Associations in District V: Delano Township, Calfskin, Sunridge, Westlink, and Whistling Walks. To learn more about these Neighborhood Associations log onto www.wichita.gov

District V/ City of Wichita Calendar of Meetings/ Events:

September 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day- City Buildings closed	2 No City Council Meeting	3	4	5	6 District V Breakfast- Park West Plaza Retirement (Central & Maize)
7	8 DAB V Meeting 6:30 p.m. Auburn Hills	9 City Council Mtg and Workshop 9:00a.m.-City Hall	10	11 MAPC Meeting 1:30p.m. City Hall	12	13
14	15	16 City Council Mtg and Workshop 9:00a.m.-City Hall	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 City Council Workshop 9:30 a.m. City Hall	24	25 MAPC Meeting 1:30p.m. City Hall	26	27
28	29	30 5th Tuesday- No City Council Meeting				

Wichita Smoking Ordinance in effect

October 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6 DAB V Meeting 6:30 p.m. Auburn Hills	7 City Council Mtg and Workshop 9:00a.m.-City Hall	8	9 MAPC Meeting 1:30p.m. City Hall	10	11
12	13 Columbus Day (observed)	14 No City Council Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 City Council Mtg and Workshop 9:00a.m.-City Hall	22	23 MAPC Meeting 1:30p.m. City Hall	24	25
26	27	28 City Council Workshop 9:30 a.m. City Hall	29	30	31 Halloween	

November 2008						
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Don't forget to VOTE!